OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Within the available resources earmarked for EWS housing scheme throughout the country, HUDCO has made an allocation of Rs. 13.66 crores for EWS housing schemes in Andhra Pradesh. Due to difficulties being faced by it in raising resources at low interest rates, HUDCO finds it difficult to accede to the request of the State Govt. for an additional loan of Rs. 50 crores at present.

Allotment of developed plots

4578. SHRI RADHAKRISHAN MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) what is the present position of pendency regarding pre-1975 recommendees of allotment how many persons are waiting for such allotments;

(b) whether it is a fact that the juniors have been given developed plots in South/North Zones; if so, what are the reasons therefor;

(c) by when the remaining persons will be allotted the developed plots of recommended size; and

(d) whether DDA's liability does not survive until the time the plot of recommended size is allotted, if so, the recommendee in part (a) will be allotted the developed plot of recommended size before end of October, 1993?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) As reported by DDA, all recommendees of pre-1975 period have been allotted alternative plots; however, one recommendee did not accept his allotment and is still seeking for a larger size of plot.

(b) to (d) Do not arise in view of (a) above.

Sulabh Sauchalayas in Maharashtra

4579. SHRI SATISH PRADHAN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of Sulabh Sauchalayas in Maharashtra as on date;

(b) how many are in working order; and

(c) the number of additional Sulabh Sauchalayas proposed to be constructed in Maharashtra during the year 1993, with city-wise break-up?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) As informed by the State Govt. on date there are 185 Sulah Sauchalayas in Maharashtra and all are in working order.

(c) The number of additional Sulabh Sauchalayas proposed to be constructed during the year 1993 is 82 but the city-wise break-up is not readily available with the State Government.

Low cost housing

4580. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABHINANDAN JAIN: Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any fresh instructions have been issued by the Central Government to the State Governments on low cost housing;

(b) if so, the main features thereof; and

(c) the steps Government propose to take to encourage the use of new technologies in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN

THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) The Central Govt. has been advising the State Govts from time to time for adopting cost effective housing techniques and construction practices and large-scale application of low cost materials to achieve much needed economy in construction. Recently, Govt. have advised the State Govts. to issue instructions to their agencies for adopting timber substitutes in their construction work and to associate the Building Centres, started under the centrally sponsored scheme in order to promote use of low cost housing technology and appropriate building materials, in their housing programme.

(c) The following initiatives have so far been taken in regard to popularising low cost building technologies:—

—In corporation of low cost building technologies into the specifications of CPWD and State housing and building agencies and preparation of separate standards by Bureau of Indian Standards (BIS).

— Operation of the Central scheme of Building Centres for demonstration and extension of cost-effective technologies and training of artisans in innovative low cost techniques at local level.

— Support to construction of demonstration housing using low cost technologies.

— Support to research and development organisations for technology application and transfer.

— Strengthening of arrangements for large scale field applications of cost effective technologies and commercialising of production of innovative low cost materials and components through the B.M.T.P.C.

— Providing fiscal concessions for production and adoption of cost effective and innovative building materials and technologies, particularly those based on industiral wastes like flyash, phosphogypsum and redmud.

— Providing institutional finance through HUNCO/NHB for setting up commercial production units of low cost building materials based on wastes.

— Promotion of cost effective tehnologies in the housing schemes being funded by housing finance institutions like HUDCO and NHB.

Financial Assistance for Rural Housing by HUDCO

4581. SHRIMATI CHANDRIKA ABINANDAN JAIN: Wll the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there is a provision in the HUDCO Budget for rendering financial help for Rural Housing; and

(b)if so, the details thereof and the financial help given during the last two years, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF WATER RESOURCES (SHRI P. K. THUNGON): (a) and (b) Yes, Sir. Out of the total loan allocated for housing projects by HUDCO in a year, 15 per cent is earmarked for rural housing programmes in the country, benefiting economically weaker sections. The State-wise details of loan sanctioned by HUDCO for housing projects in rural areas during the years 1991-92 and 1992-93 are given in the Statement.